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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE FOR VISIT OF AUSTR JOSEPH MASSEY

REF: BEIJING 5220

- 1. EMBASSY MAY DRAW UPON THE GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN PARA (2) IN RESPONDING TO PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING THE VISIT OF ASSISTANT U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH MASSEY. REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF A PRESS BRIEFING, EMBASSY SHOULD CHECK WITH MASSEY UPON HIS ARRIVAL FOR HIS VIEWS ON THIS. HE DEPARTED BEFORE REFTEL WAS RECEIVED.
- 2. BEGIN PRESS GUIDANCE.
- Q: WHAT CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THE VISIT OF A U.S. TRADE DELEGATION HEADED BY ASSISTANT UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPH MASSEY (O BEIJING?
- A: ASSISTANT UNITED STATES TRADE PERRESENTATIVE JOSEPH MASSEY IS LEADING A U.S. DELEGATION TO CHINA TO DISCUSS

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IMPORTANT CONCEPNS THE ".S. MAS OVER PROTECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RAGHTS. THE TALKS WILL BE HELD FEBRUARY 28 AND MARCH 1.

(IF ASKED)

Q: DOES THIS MEAN THAT OUR BAN ON HIGH-LEVEL EXCHANGES HAS BEEN LIFTED?

A: NO, IT DOES NOT. THE VISIT IS CONSISTENT WITH U.S. POLICY OF CONTINUING OUR COMMERCIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH CHINA AND MAINTAINING OFFICIAL CONTACTS THAT SERVE IMPORTANT U.S. INTERESTS.

END GUIDANCE. BAKER